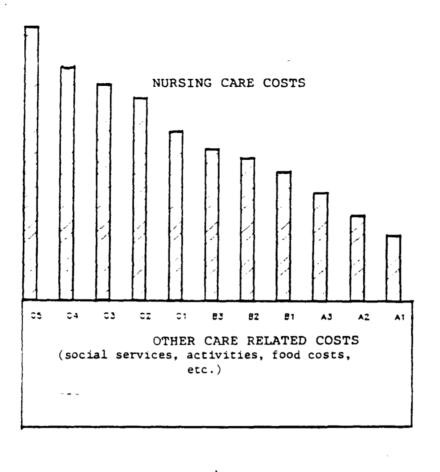
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### OTHER OPERATING COSTS

Remaining Dietary Laundry and Linen Housekeeping Plant Operations & Maintenance General and Administrative Remaining Payroll Taxes & Fringes

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Nursing Facilities

### 100. INTRODUCTION

A prospective Case Mix Assessment Reimbursement (CMAR) system for nursing facilities providing services for Title XIX (Medicaid) recipients, to be reimbursed by the Department for Medicaid Services (Department), is presented here. If not otherwise specified, this system utilizes allowable cost principles of the Title XVIII (Medicare) Program. This payment method is designed to achieve three major objectives:

1) to assure that needed nursing facility care is available for all eligible recipients including those with higher care needs, 2) to provide an equitable basis for both urban and rural facilities to participate in the Program and, 3) to assure Program control and cost containment consistent with the public interest and the required level of care.

The system is designed to provide a reasonable return in relation to cost but also contains factors to encourage cost containment. Under this system, payment will be made to facilities on a prospectively determined basis for routine cost of care (other than closed head injury programs and ventilator facility patients which have all inclusive rates) with no year-end adjustment required other than adjustments which result from either desk reviews or field audits.

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Ancillary services, (other than ventilator therapy services) as defined, will be reimbursed on a cost basis with a year-end retroactive settlement. As with routine cost, ancillaries are subject to both desk reviews and field audits which may result in retroactive adjustments.

The basis of the prospective payment for routine care cost is the most recent annual cost report data (available and Desk Reviewed as of May 15) trended to the beginning of the rate year and indexed for the prospective rate year. The routine cost is divided into two major categories: nursing services cost and all other cost. Nursing services cost is weighted by the facility's average case mix weight as determined quarterly for each nursing facility. A Cost Savings Incentive factor (CSI) is granted to providers. The system imposes upper limits for nursing services cost and all other cost. Nursing facilities will be entitled to a hold harmless amount for the period of October 1, 1990 through June 30, 1992.

The payment system also contains various restrictions on allowable cost which are designed to assure that Program payment is limited to the cost of providing adequate patient care.

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### 101. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

Nursing facilities participating in the Medicaid program shall be required to have at least twenty (20) percent of its beds (but not less than ten (10) beds; for a facility with less than ten (10) beds, all beds) participate in the Medicare Program unless the nursing facility has been granted a waiver of nursing facility nurse staffing requirement and as a result, is prohibited from participating in Medicare. If a nursing facility with waiver chooses to participate in the Medicare program, the facility shall be required to have at least twenty (20) percent of its beds (but not less than ten (10) beds, if the facility has less then ten (10) beds, all beds) participate in the Medicare program.

A nursing facility or a nursing facility with waiver may provide and receive payment for high intensity services so long as the services are provided in beds also participating in Medicare programs and a nursing facility or nursing facility with waiver may provide and receive payments for low-intensity services provided in any Medicaid participating bed.

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NFs) may take only low intensity patients since the facility is not considered as being adequately staffed to care for high intensity care patients. In the interim (until facilities are surveyed), current skilled nursing facilities participating in Medicare may accept both high and low intensity patients. Current intermediate care facilities not participating in Medicare may accept only low intensity patients.

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102. ROUTINE COSTS

Routine costs are broken down into two major categories:
Nursing Service costs and All Other costs. Routine Cost
includes all items and services routinely furnished to all
patients.

- A. NURSING SERVICES COSTS. The direct costs associated with nursing services will be included in the nursing service cost category. These costs include:
  - 1. Costs of equipment and supplies that are used to complement the services in the nursing services cost category;
  - 2. Costs for education or training including the cost of lodging and meals of nursing service personnel. Educational costs are limited to either meeting the requirements of laws or rules or keeping an employee's salary, status, or position or for maintaining or updating skills needed in performing the employee's present duties;

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